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FDA Commissioner, Docket Management Branch (HFA-305)
Food and Drug Administration
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FDA Administrator;

I would ~~like~~ to comment on recent USDA rulings on Genetically Engineered Food. Docket No. OON-1396 and Docket No. **00D-1598**.

Genetically Engineered foods alter the laws of nature and it is very unclear what long-term effect these foods will have on human health. To not require pre-market testing of GE foods is highly irresponsible,

To not require labeling of genetically engineered food is a slap in the face of people who want to know and have every right to know if the food they are eating is Genetically Engineered. If problems arise from these foods it will be very hard to trace the source of the problems.

Restricting labeling ~~of~~ non-GE food is an outrage. The only purpose in doing so is to enhance the profits, power and control of biotech **corporations**.

FDA is playing recklessly with the health and well being of the American public.

Sincerely,

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